

**RFA 11-02 Appendix F - BMBF:
National eligibility criteria for Partner PIs from Germany**

Eligible for funding in collaboration with RFA 11-02: **Early Translational III Research Awards** are all institutions with existing research projects or proposals in the field of regenerative medicine that have been implemented after a successful peer review procedure. Under this RFA, BMBF supports collaborative efforts of German scientists in the context of the above mentioned projects with their Californian partners. As a rule, the additional expenditure should generally not exceed 25% of preexisting funding. The applicants have to form consortia with their respective Californian partners and participate in CIRM's application procedure as described in CIRM's RFA 11-02. CIRM/BMBF collaborative proposals will be evaluated as integrated projects.

To participate in CIRM's RFA 11-02, the German Partner PIs must submit an informal request in writing, not more than 10 pages, to the Project Management Juelich, Forschungszentrum Jülich GmbH, delineating:

- I. description of the existing, peer reviewed research project(s)
- II. description of the proposed research project, intended as collaborative component of the application to RFA 11-02
- III. the added value and benefit of the international cooperation
- IV. expected project results of the international cooperation
- V. utilization of the expected project results
- VI. the necessary budget for the additional new project (personnel costs, consumables).

Information provided under II, above, should also be included as appropriate throughout the CIRM Pre-Application submitted by the Californian partner, as specified in the various sections asking for Partner PI relevant information, and in the section calling for "Collaborative Funding Partner Requested Information (limited to ~3000 characters)".

The informal request must be submitted to PtJ together with a copy of the California PI's Pre- Application for RFA 11-02 by 5 pm, August 10, 2011 for evaluation by the German side. Pre-Applications with both a German and a Californian component will be subjected to CIRM's evaluation procedure as described in sections VIII and IX of RFA 11-02. At the level of full applications (see section VIII of RFA 11-02), BMBF or PtJ will participate as guests in the CIRM Grants Working Group review meeting in March 2012.

After positive scientific evaluation of the full applications, formal German application documents (AZA/AZK) have to be provided to PtJ upon request.

It is highly recommended that potential German applicants contact PtJ prior to an application for further advice. Contact point:

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